Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1.   (currently amended) A method of facilitating selection of a lodging property, the method comprising the steps of:

       (a)   receiving an indication of a geographic area of interest from a user;

       (b)   identifying one or more lodging properties located within the geographic area of interest conforming to user-specified criteria;

       (c)   displaying a map of the geographic area of interest whereupon are plotted the locations of the one or more lodging properties; and

       (d)   <u>automatically accessing and</u> displaying in a dialog box associated with a same webpage as the displayed map substantially dynamic information regarding ~~the~~ <u>a</u> particular lodging property indicated by the user, wherein the substantially dynamic information is provided in substantially real-time so as to be substantially current<u>, and wherein the substantially dynamic information for the particular lodging property is automatically accessed when a pointer is moved over the location of the particular lodging property on the displayed map</u>.

2.   (original) The method as set forth in claim 1, wherein the indication of the geographic area of interest is in the form of a city name.

3. (original) The method as set forth in claim 1, wherein the indication of the geographic area of interest is in the form of a substantially unique name of a feature having a known location.

4. (original) The method as set forth in claim 1, wherein step (a) includes receiving one or more other user-specified criteria from the user.

5. (original) The method as set forth in claim 4, wherein in step (c) only the locations of one or more conforming lodging properties located within the geographic area of interest and conforming to the one or more other user-specified criteria are plotted on the map.

6. (original) The method as set forth in claim 1, wherein in step (c) the map is initially displayed centered about an average location of the plotted lodging properties.

7. (previously presented) The method as set forth in claim 1, further including the step of providing a navigational control allowing the user to manipulate the map for viewing.

8. (original) The method as set forth in claim 7, wherein the navigational control includes a zoom capability and a movement capability.

9.   (previously presented) The method as set forth in claim 1, further including the step of

displaying in the dialog box substantially static information regarding a particular lodging

property indicated by the user.

10.   (previously presented) The method as set forth in claim 9, further including the step of

providing one or more hyperlinks to additional static information and additional dynamic

information.

11.   (original) The method as set forth in claim 1, further including the step of plotting one or

more non-lodging features on the map.

12.   (original) The method as set forth in claim 1, further including the step of providing

substantially real-time access to a computerized reservation system of the particular

lodging property indicated by the user so as to facilitate the user making a reservation.

13.   (original) A computer program operable to implement the method as set forth in claim 1.

14.   (currently amended) A method of facilitating selection of a lodging property, the method

comprising the steps of:

        (a)   receiving an indication of a geographic area of interest and one or more

                other user-specified criteria from a user;

(b)   identifying one or more lodging properties located within the geographic

area of interest and conforming to the one or more other user-specified

criteria;

(c)   displaying a map of the geographic area of interest whereupon are plotted

the locations of the one or more lodging properties;

(d)   <u>automatically accessing and</u> displaying in a dialog box associated with a

same webpage as the displayed map substantially dynamic information

regarding ~~the~~ <u>a</u> particular lodging property indicated by the user, wherein

the substantially dynamic information is provided in substantially real-time

so as to be substantially current<u>, and wherein the substantially dynamic</u>

<u>information for the particular lodging property is automatically accessed</u>

<u>when a pointer is moved over the location of the particular lodging</u>

<u>property on the displayed map</u>; and

(e)   providing substantially real-time access to a computerized reservation

system of the particular lodging property indicated by the user so as to

facilitate the user making a reservation.

15.   (original) The method as set forth in claim 14, wherein the indication of the geographic

area of interest is in the form of a city name.

16.   (original) The method as set forth in claim 14, wherein the indication of the geographic

        area of interest is in the form of a substantially unique name of a feature having a known

        location.

17.   (original) The method as set forth in claim 14, wherein in step (c) the map is initially

        displayed centered about an average location of the plotted lodging properties

18.   (original) The method as set forth in claim 14, further including the step of providing a

        navigational control allowing the user to manipulate the map for viewing.

19.   (original) The method as set forth in claim 18, wherein the navigational control includes a

        zoom capability and a movement capability.

20.   (previously presented) The method as set forth in claim 14, further including the step of

        displaying in the dialog box substantially static information regarding a particular lodging

        property indicated by the user.

21.   (original) The method as set forth in claim 20, further including the step of providing one

        or more hyperlinks to additional static information and additional dynamic information.

22.   (original) The method as set forth in claim 14, further including the step of plotting one or

        more non-lodging features on the map.

23.   (original) A computer program operable to implement the method as set forth in claim 14.

24.   (currently amended) A method of facilitating selection of a lodging property, the method

comprising the steps of:

    (a)   receiving an indication of a geographic area of interest and one or more

        other user-specified criteria from a user;

    (b)   identifying one or more lodging properties located within the geographic

        area of interest and conforming to the one or more other user-specified

        criteria;

    (c)   displaying a map of the geographic area of interest whereupon are plotted

        the locations of the one or more conforming lodging properties, wherein

        the map is initially displayed centered about an average location of the

        plotted lodging properties;

    (d)   plotting one or more non-lodging features on the map;

    (e)   providing a navigational control allowing the user to manipulate the map

        for viewing, wherein the navigational control includes a zoom capability

        and a movement capability;

    (f)   displaying in a dialog box substantially static information regarding a

        particular lodging property indicated by the user;

    (g)   automatically accessing and displaying in a dialog box associated with a

        same webpage as the displayed map substantially dynamic information

regarding ~~the~~ a particular lodging property indicated by the user, wherein

the substantially dynamic information is provided in substantially real-time

so as to be substantially current, and wherein the substantially dynamic

information for the particular lodging property is automatically accessed

when a pointer is moved over the location of the particular lodging

property on the displayed map;

    (h)   providing one or more hyperlinks to additional static information and

additional dynamic information; and

    (i)   providing substantially real-time access to a computerized reservation

system of the particular lodging property indicated by the user so as to

facilitate the user making a reservation.

25.   (original) A computer program operable to implement the method as set forth in claim 24.

26.   (currently amended) A method of facilitating selection of a lodging property, the method

comprising the steps of:

    (a)   receiving a substantially unique name of a feature having a known

location, and receiving one or more other user-specified criteria;

    (b)   identifying one or more lodging properties located within a geographic

area associated with the feature and conforming to the one or more other

user-specified criteria;

(c)   displaying a map of the geographic area of interest whereupon are plotted

the locations of the one or more conforming lodging properties, wherein

the map is initially displayed centered about an average location of the

plotted lodging properties;

(d)   plotting one or more non-lodging features on the map;

(e)   providing a navigational control allowing the user to manipulate the map

for viewing, wherein the navigational control includes a zoom capability

and a movement capability;

(f)   displaying in a dialog box substantially static information regarding a

particular lodging property indicated by the user;

(g)   automatically accessing and displaying in a dialog box associated with a

same webpage as the displayed map substantially dynamic information

regarding the a particular lodging property indicated by the user, wherein

the substantially dynamic information is provided in substantially real-time

so as to be substantially current, and wherein the substantially dynamic

information for the particular lodging property is automatically accessed

when a pointer is moved over the location of the particular lodging

property on the displayed map;

(h)   providing one or more hyperlinks to additional static information and

additional dynamic information; and

      (i)   providing real-time access to a computerized reservation system of the particular lodging property indicated by the user so as to facilitate the user making a reservation.

27.   (original) A computer program operable to implement the method as set forth in claim 26.